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SUBJ: USNS HAYES CLEARANCES REQUEST

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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NOTE VERBALE FROM ITALIAN MFA, OPERATIVE PORTIONS OF WHICH (IN SUMMARY EMBASSY TRANSLATED) READ AS FOLLOWS:

2. THE (ITALIAN) MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS FINDS THAT THE DATA FURNISHED (TO DATE CONCERNING HAYES' RESEARCH) ARE INSUFFICIENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF SAFEGUARDING SUBMARINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CABLES, WHICH IS THE DIRECT COMPETENCE OF THAT MINISTRY, EXTENDING THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN. THEREFORE THE FOLLOWING POINTS OF INFORMATION ARE REQUESTED CONCERNING RESEARCH OPERATIONS HAVING TO DO WITH THE SEA FLOOR, IN PARTICULAR:

A) A LIST OF POINTS OF CORE-BORINGS, WITH GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES FOR EACH SUCH POINT,

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B) A LIST OF DREDGING POSITIONS WITH THE COORDINATES FOR THE BEGINNING AND ENDING OF EACH DREDGE-LINE,

C) LIST OF ENANCHORAGE POINTS AND OTHER POINTS WHERE BUOYS MAY BE EMPLACED IN ASSOCIATION WITH OPERATIONS ON THE SEA FLOOR, AND

D) EXPLICIT CNFIRMATION THAT THE OPERATIONS WILL NOT ENTAIL USE OF EXPLOSIVE CHARGES OR, IF ON THE CONTRARY, THE EXACT STRENGTH OF ANY SUCH CHARGES AND THE AREAS WHERE THEY WOULD BE EMPLOYED.

3. POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS HAS INFORMED MFA, ACCORDING TO NOTE, THAT ITS APPROVAL IS CONTINGENT ON RECEIPT OF THE FOREGOING INFORMATION.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: ADVISE FOR RELAY TO GOI ON FOREGOING QUERIES.

5. COMMENT: MFA INTERPETS P&T'S QUERIES TO COVER HAYES ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE MEDITERRANEAN. SO FAR WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO TRACK DOWN COMPETENT P&T AUTHORITIES WHO CAN GIVE US RATIONALE WHICH WOULD UNDERPIN A P&T CLAIM TO SUCH JURISDICTION OUTSIDE ITALIAN TERRITORY. HOWEVER WE FORWARD ABOVE NOW IN VIEW OF TIME PRESSURES ON HAYES AND OUR ASSUMPTION, PERHAPS UNFOUNDED, THAT USG CAN QUICKLY ESTABLISH FOR P&T THAT HAYES COPERATIONS ARE UNLIKELY TO PRESENT DANGERS TO SUBMARINE CABLES.GARDNER

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